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Committee Bill No. 5933

LCO No. 4609

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FROM THE
TOBACCO SETTLEMENT AND TOBACCO TAXES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 4-28e of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2003*):

4 (e) Tobacco grants shall be made from the account established
5 pursuant to subsection (d) of this section by the Secretary of the Office
6 of Policy and Management in consultation with the speaker of the
7 House of Representatives, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the
8 majority leader of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of
9 the Senate, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the
10 minority leader of the Senate, and the cochairpersons and ranking
11 members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
12 having cognizance of matters relating to public health and
13 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, or their designees.
14 Such grants shall [be used to reduce tobacco abuse through prevention,
15 education, cessation, treatment, enforcement and health needs
16 programs] (1) total not less than ten per cent of the annual income to

17 such account, and (2) be used for programs: (A) Related to smoking
18 education, prevention and cessation programs; (B) for the promotion
19 of pulmonary health; (C) to reduce the incidence of asthma; and (D) to
20 expand access to health care for underinsured and uninsured children
21 and adults.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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Statement of Purpose:

To ensure that state funds derived from the tobacco settlement and tobacco taxes go toward programs that will ameliorate the impact of tobacco-related illnesses, and to protect public health.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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